R.K. Sabharwal Vs. State of Punjab case, reservation has to be with reference to posts and not vacancies. Accordingly, Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions (Department of Personnel & Training) have issued instructions *vide* its Office Memorandum No. 36012/2/96 Estt.(Res.) dated 2.7.1997 to replace all existing vacancy-based rosters with post-based rosters. Ministry of Civil Aviation has accordingly advised all organisations under its control to comply with the above instructions.

Provision of air-cargo facility at Patna airport

†2382. SHRI VIJAY SINGH YADAV: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have formulated any draft proposal to make available the air-cargo facility at Patna airport;

(b) if so, by when the said facility is likely to be made available; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV): (a) to (c) A proposal for air cargo complex at Patna airport has been received from Bihar State Export Corporation (BSEC). The State Government has allotted land to BSEC. The facility is to be constructed by BSEC. Airports Authority of India has given its no objection, in principle.

Development of Trivandrum Airport

2383. SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have accorded sanction for the proposed developmental activities in the Trivandrum International Airport;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons for the delay in according sanction to the State Government for undertaking the developmental works in the Airport?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV): (a) to (c) There is a proposal from the State Government to construct a new International Terminal at Thiruvananthapuram airport on the Chakai Canal side.

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.